

## Short Encoding of Words (View)

A **valid encoding** of an array of `words` is any reference string `s` and array of indices `indices` such that:

- `words.length == indices.length`
- The reference string `s` ends with the '#' character.
- For each index `indices[i]`, the **substring** of `s` starting from `indices[i]` and up to (but not including) the next '#' character is equal to `words[i]`.

Given an array of `words`, return the **length of the shortest reference string** `s` possible of any **valid encoding** of `words`.

### Example 1:

**Input:** `words = ["time", "me", "bell"]`

**Output:** 10

**Explanation:** A valid encoding would be `s = "time#bell#"` and `indices = [0, 2, 5]`.

`words[0] = "time"`, the substring of `s` starting from `indices[0] = 0` to the next '#' is underlined in "time#bell#"

`words[1] = "me"`, the substring of `s` starting from `indices[1] = 2` to the next '#' is underlined in "time#mebell#"

`words[2] = "bell"`, the substring of `s` starting from `indices[2] = 5` to the next '#' is underlined in "time#bell#"

### Example 2:

**Input:** `words = ["t"]`

**Output:** 2

**Explanation:** A valid encoding would be `s = "t#"` and `indices = [0]`.

### Constraints:

- `1 <= words.length <= 2000`
- `1 <= words[i].length <= 7`
- `words[i]` consists of only lowercase letters.